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| Title        | : BINDING FOR RETAINING A BOOT ON | ) |                               |
|              | A GLIDING OR ROLLING APPARATUS    | ) |                               |

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a)**

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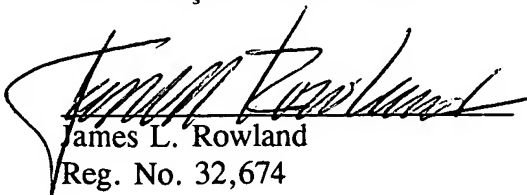
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